

## Definitions for the entity *Synonym\_Links* and its elements -- page 1 of 2

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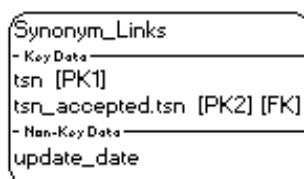


Table Name: **Synonym\_Links**

Description:

**@1 tsn +**

**@2 tsn\_accepted +  
update\_date**

Definition:

**A mechanism to provide the link between an accepted taxonomic name and alternates or predecessors to it.**

### ELEMENTS

Name: **tsn**

Element Size:

Table: **Taxonomic\_Units**

Display Picture:

Data Type: **SERIAL**

Informix Name: **tsn**

Nullness: **NOT NULL UNIQUE**

Values List:

Data Source: **SYSTEM GENERATED**

Validation Rules:

**A taxonomic serial number will be assigned for occurrences of Taxonomic Units at each level of the hierarchy through genus; at lower levels a tsn will be assigned to polynomial occurrences.**

Description: **Taxonomic Serial Number. The unique identifier for an occurrence of Taxonomic Units.**

Name: **tsn\_accepted**

Element Size:

Table: **Synonym\_Links**

Display Picture:

Data Type: **INTEGER**

Informix Name: **tsn\_accepted**

Nullness: **NOT NULL**

Values List:

Data Source: **USER ENTERED**

Validation Rules:

Description: **The taxonomic serial number assigned to the accepted occurrence of Taxonomic Units to which a synonym is associated.**



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Name: **update\_date**

Element Size: **8**

Table: **All Tables**

Display Picture: **mm/dd/yy**

Data Type: **DATE**

Informix Name: **update\_date**

Nullness: **NOT NULL**

Values List:

Data Source: **SYSTEM GENERATED**

Validation Rules:

Description: **The date on which a record is modified. The purpose of this element is to provide assistance to those downloading data on a periodic basis.**



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